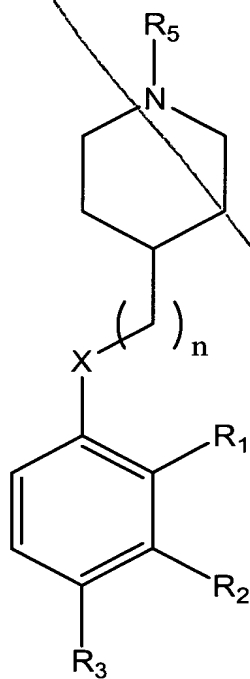


5

CLAIMS

1. A compound of formula (I):



wherein X is O;

n is an integer from 0 to 3;

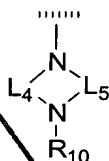
R<sub>5</sub> is C<sub>1-10</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3-8</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl, (C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl) C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, (phenyl)C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, (phenyl)C<sub>3-8</sub> alkenyl, or (C<sub>1-8</sub> alkylcarbonyl)C<sub>1-8</sub> alkyl;

one of R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, and R<sub>3</sub> is G or W, wherein one of the remaining two is selected from H and halogen, and the third being hydrogen;

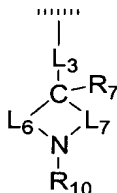
5

G is a nitrogen-containing group selected from one of the following:

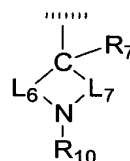
$-\text{OL}_1\text{Q}$ ,  $-\text{L}_2\text{Q}$ ,  $-\text{N}(\text{L}_1\text{Q})\text{R}_5$ ,  $-\text{L}_3\text{C}(\text{L}_1\text{Q})\text{R}_6\text{R}_7$ ,  $-\text{C}(\text{L}_1\text{Q})\text{R}_6\text{R}_7$ ,



(i)



(ii)



(iii)

wherein:

$\text{L}_1$  is  $\text{C}_{2-6}$  alkylene,  $\text{C}_{3-8}$  cycloalkylene,  $\text{C}_{4-6}$  alkenylene,  $\text{C}_{4-6}$  alkynylene,  $\text{C}_{2-5}$  alkanoyl, (phenyl) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, (naphthyl) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, ( $\text{C}_{2-5}$  heteroaryl) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, (phenoxy) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, or ( $\text{C}_{2-5}$  heteroaryloxy) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene;

$\text{L}_2$  is  $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene,  $\text{C}_{3-8}$  cycloalkylene,  $\text{C}_{3-6}$  alkenylene,  $\text{C}_{3-6}$  alkynylene,  $\text{C}_{2-5}$  alkanoyl, (phenyl) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, (naphthyl) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, ( $\text{C}_{1-5}$  heteroaryl) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, (phenoxy) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, ( $\text{C}_{1-5}$  heteroaryloxy) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, or ( $\text{C}_{1-5}$  heteroarylthio) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene;

$\text{L}_3$  is  $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene,  $\text{C}_{2-6}$  alkenylene,  $\text{C}_{2-6}$  alkynylene,  $\text{C}_{2-5}$  alkanoyl, (phenyl) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, phenyl, naphthyl, (naphthyl) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, ( $\text{C}_{1-5}$  heteroaryl) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, (phenoxy) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, ( $\text{C}_{1-5}$  heteroaryloxy) $\text{C}_{1-6}$  alkylene, or  $\text{C}_{2-5}$  heteroaryl;

$\text{L}_4$  is  $\text{C}_{1-5}$  alkylene;

$\text{L}_5$  is  $\text{C}_{1-5}$  alkylene;

5

*Sw  
A  
cont*

$L_6$  is  $C_{1-5}$  alkylene;

$L_7$  is  $C_{1-5}$  alkylene or absent;

$Q$  is  $-NR_8R_9$  or a non-aromatic  $C_{2-15}$  heterocyclyl ring system containing at least one nitrogen atom and optionally between 1 and 3 additional heteroatoms selected from O, S, and N in each ring;

$R_6$  is independently selected from hydrogen,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl,

$C_{1-6}$  alkoxy,  $C_{2-8}$  alkenyl,  $C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl,  $(C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl) $C_{1-6}$  alkylene,  $C_{2-15}$  heterocyclyl, and  $(C_{2-7}$  heterocyclyl) $C_{1-6}$  alkylene;

$R_7$  is H, hydroxyl, halo,  $C_{2-6}$  alkoxy or absent where the carbon linking  $L_6$  and  $L_7$  (or bonded to  $R_6$ ) participates in a double bond;

each of  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  is independently selected from hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl,  $C_{3-8}$  alkenyl,  $C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl,  $(C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl) $C_{1-6}$  alkylene,  $C_{2-15}$  heterocyclyl, phenyl,  $(C_{2-15}$  heterocyclyl) $C_{1-6}$  alkylene, and (phenyl)  $C_{1-6}$  alkylene;

$R_{10}$  is H,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl,  $C_{3-8}$  alkenyl,  $C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl,  $(C_{3-7}$  cycloalkyl) $C_{1-6}$  alkylene,  $(C_{2-15}$  heterocyclyl) $C_{1-6}$  alkylene, or (phenyl)  $C_{1-6}$  alkylene;

$W$  is  $-CN$ ,  $-CHO$ , halogen,  $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl,  $(C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl)-O-, phenoxy, phenyl, (phenyl) $C_{1-6}$  alkylene-O-,  $-C(=O)R_x$ ,  $-C(OH)R_xR_y$ ,  $C_{1-8}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-8}$  cycloalkyl, or  $-NR_xR_y$ ;

5 wherein each of  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  is independently selected from H,  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-6}$  alkanoyl,  $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl, and phenyl;

10 wherein each of the above alkyl, alkylene, alkenyl, alkenylene, alkynyl, alkynylene, heterocyclyl, cycloalkyl, and aryl groups may each be independently and optionally substituted with between 1 and 3 substituents selected from halo, amino, nitro, hydroxyl, and  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl;

15 wherein substituents of Q can be further selected from carboxamide,  $C_{2-6}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl,  $N(C_{1-6}$  alkyl)( $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl),  $NH(C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl), ( $C_{1-3}$  alkylene)( $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl),  $O(C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl),  $O(C_{1-6}$  alkyl),  $O(C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl), phenyl, ( $C_{1-3}$  alkylene) phenyl,  $N(C_{1-6}$  alkyl)( $C_{1-3}$  alkylene) phenyl, and  $O(C_{1-3}$  alkylene) phenyl where each of above heterocyclyl, phenyl, and alkyl groups may be optionally substituted with from 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from halogen, nitro, cyano, and  $C_1$  alkyl;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, ester, or amide thereof.

25 2. A compound of claim 1, wherein  $R_5$  is  $C_{1-5}$  alkyl,  $C_{3-4}$  alkenyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl, ( $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl)  $C_1$  alkylene, (phenyl)  $C_{1-3}$  alkylene, or (phenyl)  $C_{3-4}$  alkenylene.

30 3. A compound of claim 2, wherein  $R_5$  is branched  $C_{3-5}$  alkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl, and ( $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl)  $C_1$  alkylene.

4. A compound of claim 1, wherein one of  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  is G.

5. A compound of claim 4, wherein  $R_2$  is G.

5  
*Handwritten signature*  
 42  
*cont.*

6. A compound of claim 4, wherein  $R_3$  is G.
7. A compound of claim 1, wherein  $L_1$  is  $C_{2-3}$  alkylene.
8. A compound of claim 1, wherein  $L_2$  is  $C_{1-6}$  alkylene, ( $C_{1-5}$  heteroaryl) $C_{1-6}$  alkylene, or -phenyl- $C_{1-6}$  alkylene.
9. A compound of claim 8, wherein  $L_2$  is methylene.
10. A compound of claim 1, wherein  $L_3$  is ethylene, vinylene, ethynylene, and phenylene.
11. A compound of claim 1, wherein Q is a non-aromatic nitrogen-containing  $C_{2-5}$  heterocyclyl.
12. A compound of claim 11, wherein Q is selected from piperidyl, N-( $C_{1-6}$  alkyl)piperazinyl, piperazinyl, pyrrolinyl, pyrrolidinyl, and morpholinyl.
13. A compound of claim 11, wherein Q is N-morpholinyl or N-piperidinyl, optionally substituted with between 1 and 3 substituents selected from hydroxyl, carboxamide,  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl, N( $C_{1-6}$  alkyl)( $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl), NH( $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl), ( $C_{1-3}$  alkylene)( $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl), O( $C_{1-8}$  heterocyclyl), O( $C_{1-6}$  alkyl), O( $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl), phenyl, ( $C_{1-3}$  alkylene) phenyl, N( $C_{1-6}$  alkyl)( $C_{1-3}$  alkylene) phenyl, and O( $C_{1-3}$  alkylene) phenyl where each of above heterocyclyl, phenyl, and alkyl groups may be optionally substituted with from 1 to 3 substituents independently selected from halogen, nitro, cyano, and  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl.

- 5            14. A compound of claim 13, wherein Q is substituted with a substituent comprising a C<sub>1-6</sub> heterocyclyl group selected from: pyridyl, pyrimidyl, furyl, thiofuryl, imidazolyl, (C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl) imidazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, 2,3-dihydro-indolyl, benzimidazolyl, 2-oxobenzimidazolyl, (C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl) tetrazolyl, tetrazolyl, (C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl) triazolyl, triazolyl, (C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl) pyrrolyl, and pyrrolyl.
- 10
15. A compound of claim 14, wherein Q is a substituted or unsubstituted N-morpholiny.
- 15
16. A compound of claim 1, wherein Q is NR<sub>8</sub>R<sub>9</sub> wherein each of R<sub>8</sub> or R<sub>9</sub> is independently selected from hydrogen, C<sub>1-8</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3-8</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3-7</sub> cycloalkyl, (C<sub>3-7</sub> cycloalkyl)C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylene, C<sub>2-5</sub> heterocyclyl, phenyl, (C<sub>2-5</sub> heterocyclyl)C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylene, and (phenyl) C<sub>1-6</sub> alkylene.
- 20
17. A compound of claim 16, wherein one of R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> is hydrogen.
18. A compound of claim 17, wherein R<sub>8</sub> is H and R<sub>9</sub> is phenyl or aromatic C<sub>1-8</sub> heterocyclyl optionally substituted with 1-3 substituents selected from halo, nitro, cyano, and C<sub>1-3</sub> alkyl.
- 25
19. A compound of claim 18, wherein R<sub>9</sub> is phenyl, pyridyl, pyrimidyl, furyl, thiofuryl, imidazolyl, (C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl) imidazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, 2,3-dihydro-indolyl, benzimidazolyl, 2-oxobenzimidazolyl, (C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl) tetrazolyl, tetrazolyl, (C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl) triazolyl, triazolyl, (C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl) pyrrolyl, and pyrrolyl.
- 30

- 5
20. A compound of claim 18, wherein  $R_5$  is  $C_{1-5}$  alkyl,  $C_{3-4}$  alkenyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl, ( $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl)  $C_1$  alkylene, (phenyl) $C_{1-3}$  alkylene, or (phenyl) $C_{3-4}$  alkenylene.
- 10
21. A compound of claim 1, wherein  $n$  is 0 or 1.
22. A compound of claim 21, wherein  $n$  is 0.
- 15
23. A compound of claim 1, wherein  $G$  is selected from:
- (4) formula (i) wherein  $L_4$  and  $L_5$  are independently selected from  $C_{2-3}$  alkylene,
- (5) formula (iii) wherein  $L_6$  is  $C_{2-3}$  alkylene and  $L_7$  is  $C_{2-3}$  alkylene or absent,
- (6)  $L_2Q$  wherein  $L_2$  is  $C_{1-6}$  alkylene, phenyl  $C_{1-4}$  alkylene, or (aromatic  $C_{1-5}$  heterocyclyl) $C_{1-4}$  alkylene, and
- (7)  $OL_1Q$  wherein  $L_1$  is  $C_{2-3}$  alkylene.
- 20
24. A compound of claim 23, wherein  $G$  is selected from:
- (8) formula (i) wherein  $L_4$  and  $L_5$  are each  $C_2$  alkylene,
- (9) formula (iii) wherein each of  $L_6$  and  $L_7$  is  $C_2$  alkylene, and
- (10)  $L_2Q$  wherein  $L_2$  is methylene.
- 25
25. A compound of claim 24, wherein  $G$  is  $L_2Q$ .
26. A compound of claim 23, wherein  $R_{10}$  is H, branched  $C_{3-6}$  alkyl, or benzyl.
- 30
27. A compound of claim 26, wherein  $R_{10}$  is isopropyl or benzyl.

- 5
28. A compound of claim 23, wherein Q is a non-aromatic C<sub>2-5</sub> heterocyclyl.
29. A compound of claim 28, wherein Q is selected from piperidyl, N-(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)piperazinyl, piperazinyl, pyrrolinyl, pyrrolidinyl, and morpholinyl.
- 10
30. A compound of claim 24, wherein Q is a non-aromatic C<sub>2-5</sub> heterocyclyl.
31. A compound of claim 30, wherein Q is selected from piperidyl, N-(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)piperazinyl, piperazinyl, pyrrolinyl, pyrrolidinyl, and morpholinyl.
32. A compound of claim 25, wherein Q is selected from piperidyl, N-(C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl)piperazinyl, piperazinyl, pyrrolinyl, pyrrolidinyl, and morpholinyl.
- 15
33. A compound of claim 23, wherein R<sub>5</sub> is C<sub>1-5</sub> alkyl, C<sub>3-4</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3-6</sub> cycloalkyl, (C<sub>3-6</sub> cycloalkyl) C<sub>1</sub> alkylene, (phenyl)C<sub>1-3</sub> alkylene, or (phenyl)C<sub>3-4</sub> alkenylene.
- 20
34. A compound of claim 23, wherein R<sub>7</sub> is hydroxyl, halo, or absent where one of L<sub>6</sub> and L<sub>7</sub> provides a double bond to the carbon atom to which R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are attached.
- 25
35. A compound of claim 1, wherein one of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is G.
- 30
36. A compound of claim 1, wherein one of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is W, and W is a heterocyclyl selected from: pyridyl, pyrimidyl, furyl, thiofuryl, imidazolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, 2,3-dihydro-indolyl, benzimidazolyl, tetrazolyl, triazolyl, and pyrrolyl.



5

37. A compound of claim 21, wherein R<sub>5</sub> is branched C<sub>3-5</sub> alkyl.

38. A compound of claim 21, wherein R<sub>5</sub> is isopropyl or cyclopentyl.

10

39. A compound of claim 1, selected from 4-(4-Imidazol-1-yl-phenoxy)-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 4-(4-Imidazol-1-yl-phenoxy)-1-isobutyl-piperidine, 1-Isopropyl-4-(4-pyrrol-1-yl-phenoxy)-piperidine, and 5-Chloro-2-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-phenyl]-1H-benzoimidazole.

15

40. A compound of claim 39, selected from 4-(4-Imidazol-1-yl-phenoxy)-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 4-(4-Imidazol-1-yl-phenoxy)-1-isobutyl-piperidine, and 5-Chloro-2-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-phenyl]-1H-benzoimidazole.

20

41. A compound of claim 1, selected from [4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-phenyl]-phenyl-methanone, 4-(Biphenyl-4-yloxy)-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 4-(4-Benzoyloxy-phenoxy)-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 1-Isopropyl-4-(4-phenoxy-phenoxy)-piperidine, 4-(4-Benzyl-phenoxy)-1-isopropyl-piperidine, [4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-phenyl]-phenyl-methanol, N-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-phenyl]-acetamide, 4-(4-Cyclopentyl-phenoxy)-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 4-(1-Cyclopentyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile, 4-(1-Cyclobutyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile, 4-(1-sec-Butyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile, 4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzaldehyde, 4-(1-Cyclohexyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile, 4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile, 4-(1-Cyclopropylmethyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile, and 4-(1-Isobutyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile, 4-(1-Propyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzonitrile.

25

30

5

42. A compound of claim 1, selected from 4-(Biphenyl-4-yloxy)-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 4-(4-Benzyloxy-phenoxy)-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 4-(4-Benzyl-phenoxy)-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 1-Isopropyl-4-(4-phenoxy-phenoxy)-piperidine, and N-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-phenyl]-acetamide.

10

43. A compound of claim 1, selected from 1-Isopropyl-4-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-phenyl]-piperazine, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-phenyl]-piperazine, and 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-phenyl]-piperazine.

15

44. A compound of claim 1, selected from 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 4-[4-(1-sec-Butyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, 1-[4-(1-Cyclopentyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 1-[4-(1-Isobutyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 1-N-Isopropyl-4-[4-[5-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-ylsulfanyl)-tetrazol-1-yl]-phenoxy]-piperidine, {1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidin-4-yl}-methanol, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-4-methyl-[1,4]diazepane, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-azepane, 1-[4-(1-Isobutyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidin-4-ol, [4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-methyl-(1-methyl-piperidin-4-yl)-amine, 1-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-4-benzyl-piperidine, N-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-N,N',N'-trimethyl-ethane-1,2-diamine, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-4-methyl-piperazine, Cyclohexyl-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-methyl-amine, Butyl-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-methyl-amine, 4-[4-(1-Cyclopentyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, 1-Isopropyl-4-(4-pyrrolidin-1-

25

30

5

ylmethyl-phenoxy)-piperidine, Diethyl-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-amine, 4-[4-(1-sec-Butyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-4-phenyl-piperazine, 1-Benzyl-4-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperazine, 4-[4-(4-Benzylidene-piperidin-1-ylmethyl)-phenoxy]-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 4-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, [4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-dimethyl-amine, 4-[4-(1-Cyclohexyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, 4-[4-(1-Isobutyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, 4-[4-(1-Propyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, 1-[4-(1-Cyclohexyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 1-[4-(1-Benzyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 1-[4-(1-Cyclohexylmethyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, and 4-[4-(4-Piperidin-1-ylmethyl-phenoxy)-piperidin-1-yl]-butan-2-one.

45. A compound of claim 1, selected from 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 4-[4-(1-sec-Butyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, 1-[4-(1-Cyclopentyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 1-[4-(1-Isobutyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 1-N-Isopropyl-4-{4-[5-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-ylsulfanyl)-tetrazol-1-yl]-phenoxy}-piperidine, {1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidin-4-yl}-methanol, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-4-methyl-[1,4]diazepane, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-azepane, 1-[4-(1-Isobutyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidine, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperidin-4-ol, [4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-methyl-(1-methyl-piperidin-4-yl)-amine, 1-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-4-benzyl-piperidine, N-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-N,N',N'-trimethyl-ethane-1,2-diamine, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-4-methyl-piperazine, Cyclohexyl-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-methyl-amine, Butyl-[4-(1-

Sub  
AL  
cont.

10

15

20

isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-methyl-amine, 4-[4-(1-Cyclopentyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, 1-Isopropyl-4-(4-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-phenoxy)-piperidine, Diethyl-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-amine, 4-[4-(1-sec-Butyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, 1-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-4-phenyl-piperazine, 1-Benzyl-4-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-piperazine, 4-[4-(4-Benzylidene-piperidin-1-ylmethyl)-phenoxy]-1-isopropyl-piperidine, 4-[4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, [4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-dimethyl-amine, 4-[4-(1-Cyclohexyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine, and 4-[4-(1-Isobutyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-morpholine.

46. A compound of claim 1, selected from Cyclopropyl-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-amine, [4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-(5-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-amine, [4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-pyridin-2-yl-amine, [4-(1-Isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-phenyl-amine, and (5-Chloro-pyridin-2-yl)-[4-(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yloxy)-benzyl]-amine.
47. A compound of claim 1 or 23, isotopically labelled to be detectable by PET or SPECT.
48. A pharmaceutical composition, comprising a compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
49. A method of inhibiting histamine H<sub>3</sub> receptor activity in a subject, comprising administering an effective amount of a compound of claim 1, 23, 45, or 46 to a subject in need of such inhibition of histamine H<sub>3</sub> receptor activity.

30

Sub  
A8

5

50. A method of treating a subject having a disease or condition modulated by histamine H<sub>3</sub> receptor activity, comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1, 23, 45, or 46.

Sub  
18

10

Cont.

51. A method of claim 50, wherein said disease or condition is selected from the group consisting of sleep/wake disorders, arousal/vigilance disorders, migraine, asthma, dementia, mild cognitive impairment (pre-dementia), Alzheimer's disease, epilepsy, narcolepsy, eating disorders, motion sickness, vertigo, attention deficit hyperactivity disorders, learning disorders, memory retention disorders, schizophrenia, nasal congestion, allergic rhinitis, and upper airway allergic response.

52. A method for treating a disease or condition modulated by at least one receptor selected from the histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptor and the histamine H<sub>3</sub> receptor, said method comprising (a) administering to a subject a jointly effective amount of a histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptor antagonist compound, and (b) administering to the subject a jointly effective amount of a compound of claim 1, 23, 45, or 46, said method providing a jointly therapeutically effective amount of said compounds.

53. The method of claim 52 wherein the histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptor antagonist and the compound of claim 1, 23, 45, or 46 are present in the same dosage form.

54. A method for treating diseases or conditions modulated by at least one receptor selected from the histamine H<sub>2</sub> receptor and the histamine H<sub>3</sub> receptor in a subject, comprising (a) administering to the subject a

5 jointly effective amount of a histamine H<sub>2</sub> receptor antagonist compound, and (b) administering to the subject a jointly effective amount of a compound of claim 1, 26, 27, or 41, said method providing a jointly therapeutically effective amount of said compounds.

10 55. The method of claim 54 wherein the histamine H<sub>2</sub> receptor antagonist and the compound of claim 1, 23, 45, or 46 are present in the same dosage form.

15 56. A method for treating one or more disorders or conditions selected from the group consisting of sleep/wake disorders, narcolepsy, and arousal/vigilance disorders, comprising administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1, 23, 45, or 46.

20 57. A method for treating attention deficit hyperactivity disorders (ADHD), comprising administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1, 23, 45, or 46.

25 58. A method for treating one or more disorders or conditions selected from the group consisting of dementia, mild cognitive impairment (pre-dementia), cognitive dysfunction, schizophrenia, depression, manic disorders, bipolar disorders, and learning and memory disorders, comprising administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of claim 1, 23, 45, or 46.

30 59. A method for treating or preventing upper airway allergic response, nasal congestion, or allergic rhinitis, comprising administering to a

~~therapeutically effective.~~

- 10

[illegible]